

IN THE SPECIFICATION

In the second paragraph on page 5, please make the following changes:

Most preferably the court standard 20 further comprises a shock absorbing pad 30 positioned within a bottom portion of the floor tube 22 to cushion the contained tube 24 upon retraction. Most preferably the pad 30 is made of rubber. Most preferably the releasable lock means 26, is a lockable split collar [28] 25. Figure 2 is an enlarged view of a preferred embodiment of the floor cover 32. The plate 34 covering a central opening is movable but attached most preferably with a hinge 36.